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TO ſhew our readineſs to publiſh any thing in defence of Mr. WARD, we take the firſt opportunity to lay before the public the following *Letter*; which is the only one we have received in vindication of his practice. Tho' we could make ſeveral *Obſervations* both upon the ſtile and argument, we ſhall not at preſent meddle with either; nor endeavour to prevent the leaſt influence they may have upon the minds of our readers.

Friend MISOQUACKUS,

THE benefit, which I, and many of our people (amongſt thouſands of others) have received from my friend WARD's *pills*, engages me, without his knowledge hereof, to ſay ſomething, in anſwer to thy cavils, in a late *Grub-ſtreet Journal*. As to what thou ſayeſt of our Lord the king's *chief baron*, I own it ſmells very much of the clyſter-pipe. Verily thou talkeſt like an apothecary. Before I took my friend WARD's *pills*, I had recourſe unto many of the Doctors of phyſick, and I took their medicines, as freely as they took my money; much good may it do them, tho' they did me none at all. Now I have often told my friends, in the words of the *chief baron*, or to the ſame effect, that I had tried the power of phyſick *in vain*. But wilt thou ſay, I am not a teller of truth, or that I ſaid wrong, becauſe, that after I had tried 5 or 6 doctors, I did not run the gauntlet [gauntlope] thro' the whole college? Or wilt thou tell, where we muſt ſtop, or how many more doctors we muſt try, in order to find out this one wiſer than all the reſt, who can hit upon the cure? But I was neither able, or willing, to fee more of them, for I was become poor, and received alms of our brethren; when my friend WARD cured me without re*ward*; the Lord *reward* him for it. Why doeſt thou number up with ſo much pains, how many my friend has killed? Thou art too bold in drawing thy conſequences, unleſs thou haſt been in the inſide of them. Let me examine a little thy inſide. Thy heart, I doubt, is unſound, thy blood is corrupt, and thy brain is cloudy; and art thou ſure, that thoſe, whom thou ſayeſt my friend has killed, had not ſome inviſible decay, or obſtruction, which muſt, otherwiſe, neceſſarily and unavoidably have determined the period of their lives? Now I will compute againſt thy computation. According to the *Weekly bills*, near 500 perſons dye weekly; and, I believe, thou wilt allow, that 300 of theſe are attended either by doctors or apothecarys. But ſurely thou wilt not affirm, they kill 300 weekly. I will alſo ſuppoſe (what thou wilt be ſorry to allow, tho' thou canſt hardly gainſay) that 1000 perſons come weekly to my friend WARD, moſt of whom have tried the doctors before to no purpoſe; and canſt thou imagine, that a few muſt not, out of ſuch a number, dye, and that ſuddenly and unexpectedly, by the inevitable courſe of nature, and of their diſtempers only? Several of my friends have lately been under the direction of the doctors, and have taken many draughts and many bolus's — But my friends are now no more, for they *ſleep with their forefathers*. But I will not be ſo bold, as thou art. I will not ſay the doctors *killed* them; but I will ſay, they did not cure them, and that the doctors who came laſt ſaid, the firſt had done ill. Whither then muſt we fly in ſickneſs, but to thoſe, who do not talk of curing, but yet cure? The *Quack* (as thy brethren in France called him) cured the king's brother (if I miſtake not) of an ague, which their doctors could not; wherefore they reviled him, and ſpoke evil of his medicine (the bark) ſaying unto him, What is an ague? But he anſwered, It is what I can cure, and ye cannot. And do the learned doctors themſelves now cure agues by any other medicine? You enquire, What is this *pill*, and what is this *drop?* and ye anſwer yourſelves, Surely it is *poiſon*. I believe truly, it is *poiſon* to you and to your brethren; but to me and to many thouſands, it has been the reſtorer of health. Ye affirm, my friend *gives as large a pill to a child, as to a man:* Why then is not the *child* poiſoned? Hold thy peace thou babler, you are condemned out of your own mouth; for do you not often ſay, *ſuch a thing is ſo innocent, it may be given to a child*. But as thou haſt enquired, What is this *pill?* I will anſwer for my friend, You ſhall not know, what this *pill* is. And as thou has very learnedly told us what is *poiſon*, I will tell thee plainly and ſimply, what is not *poiſon*. *Opium*, *Mercury*, and many other medicines commonly uſed by thy wiſeſt brethren, are not *poiſon*, if given in proper quantitys. I deſpiſe thy nice diſtinctions. Nothing is *poiſon*, that does not kill, much leſs hurt. Why do you not ſatisfy your doubts (if they are real ones) by proper enquiries from the multitudes who daily reſort to my friend's houſe; and why will you ſhut your eyes againſt the truth and the light of experience? But at preſent I ſhall add no more.

Your well-wiſhing friend,

OBADIAH ANTI-CLYSTERPIPUS.

Near the New Exchange, the 3d day of the week.

Dec. 19, 1734.

SIR,

YOU have very juſtly to-day corrected Dr. TURNER, and faithfully abridged his *Letter to* Dr. JURIN; but you have in one particular, overlooked a very remarkable error of his, for want perhaps of underſtanding the *modus præparandi* of one of the medicines in the preſcriptions he gives of WARD's *pill* and *drop*; for in pag. 2. he ſays, (as you have truly noted) that '*ſome* '*(ſurely without reaſon)* have ſurmized the ſame to be '*Mercurial:* yet among the hundreds daily taking them, 'not one inſtance can be given of a ſore mouth or tongue, 'much leſs *ſalivation*, which muſt at ſome time have 'evitably fallen out, if the baſis was *mercurial*'. This I took notice of, and writ to the Doctor before I ſaw your *Journal*, and reminded him, as I now do you, that the preſcriptions are noted *Mercurials*, as all of the profeſſion of phyſick well know, or ſhould: for that the *Butyrum Antimonii*, is prepared with equal parts of *crude Antimony* and *ſublimate Mercury*, the rankeſt poiſon that is, and only uſed by ſurgeons as a cauſtick for impoſthumations, and ſubduing, or eating away, as the good women term it, proud fleſh, warts, &c. and that by giving it inwardly, it will *ſalivate*, and prove of very dangerous conſequences, even in the ſmalleſt doſe. And tho' my brother, Dr. TURNER, may have never known it to *ſalivate* or cauſe a *ſore mouth*, &c. yet it certainly has done ſo: and I told him where he might be well ſatisfied, that it did occaſion a thorough *ſalivation* in a man who had taken WARD's *pill*. They that would be ſatisfied as to the preparation of the *Butyrum Antimonii*, need only conſult the *New Diſpenſatory of the College of Phyſicians*.

I am, Sir, your humble ſervant,

PHILAGATHUS.

Mr. BAVIUS,

I AM glad to find, by your laſt *Journal*, that the Society, at the PEGASUS, have taken notice of the complaint, of a SUBSCRIBER, to the *folio* edition of RAPIN's *Hiſtory, tranſlated into Engliſh by* N. TINDAL. It is a complaint well grounded, as well as tim'd. For it is not to be denied, that the publiſhers have been guilty of a moſt avaricious and barefaced abuſe upon their ſubſcribers, in the ſeveral inſtances he mentions; and it was moſt *à propos*, that he ſhould happen to expreſs his reſentment of it, at the very time, when a *Continuation* was promiſed from the ſame hands.

As I apprehend, that the ſubſcribers to the *octavo* edition of that work, have alſo ſome cauſe to complain of ill-uſage; I cannot forbear to ſignify it to you at this juncture, that it may be conſidered at your board, and receive ſuch cenſure as it ſhall appear to deſerve.

I need not put you in mind, Mr. BAVIUS, of the many fair words and great promiſes that were uſed to uſher in the *octavo* edition; and draw in ſubſcribers to take it off. Thoſe are artifices ſeldom omitted on ſuch occaſions. But, perhaps the labour of no mountain ever produced a more contemptible iſſue. For there was palm'd upon us, a mean, flat, incorrect tranſlation of the hiſtorian; the *notes* were few, trifling and impertinent; but the bulk was encreaſed, to ſwell the expence, with *A Diſſertation upon parties, &c.* ſo that the ſetts came to almoſt five pounds a piece.

Now, as if this had not done us ſufficient injury, it was not long after the finiſhing of this edition, e'er the modeſty of the tranſlator, and publiſhers prevailed upon them to oblige the public with this hiſtory, in two Volumes, in *folio*, at the price only of 2 guineas. In which it is pretended, the *errors of the former are carefully corrected, and a great addition of marginal notes is made.* — However, tho' it is very far from being compleat, or anſwerable to the expectations conceived of it; 'tis certain, it has ſunk the value of ours near two thirds of the ſum we paid for it.

I ſhall leave the equity of theſe proceedings to the cenſure of your board; as well as the weight of the reaſon that was given for them, viz. *That they were intended to prevent the ſale of another tranſlation by ſomebody elſe*; and I ſhall only obſerve, that the advertiſement in your *Journal*, of a *Continuation* of this work, is a ſtill greater leſſening of the value of our edition; or a further abuſe of the ſubſcribers to the other. For, it ſeems to me, by the notification at the end of it, viz, '*Where* '*may be had, the firſt and ſecond volumes, or any ſingle* '*number*', that this *Continuation* is to be in *folio* only. Now I appeal to you, Mr. BAVIUS, whether, if the *Continuation* be genuine, and worthy of publication, it ought not to be publiſh'd in *octavo*, as well as *folio*, to compleat ours as well as their ſetts? And, if it is not genuine, but a trick of the publiſhers to get money, whether it ought to be impoſed upon the world at all.

I am, Sir, your conſtant reader,
and humble ſervant,
ANOTHER SUBSCRIBER.

December 13th, 1734.

A New Critical Review of the public buildings, &c. by Mr. HIRAM.

10. INSTEAD of continuing the end of this building in a right line, towards the new houſe of Sir ROBERT WALPOLE, equal to the length of its front, whereby the whole would have appeared ſquare, and majeſtic; before it reaches half that length it is broken back, in complaiſance, I ſuppoſe, to that honourable gentleman's houſe: ſo that being viewed at the angle facing the palace of St. James's, it has a poor and ſlender look, more like a narrow gallery, than the *Treaſury* of Great Britain. —— 11. The third, or upper ſtory in the front, is both arcaded and ruſticated, but in a different manner from the ſecond; the ruſtics being what work-men call rabbit, or ſquare ruſtics; and the entablature is Ionic, finely enriched at a great expence with carved mouldings, to little or no purpoſe, their native forms being not viſible at a ſmall diſtance, and the whole appearing a piece of confuſion. Hence we may obſerve, that magnificence in buildings doth not conſiſt in enrichments only; nay, not in them at all, in ſome caſes. For had this, and the lower entablature been entirely plain, they would have had a greater propriety with the plainneſs of the ruſtics in each ſtory, and conſequently been magnificent too; which no artiſt can think them now. — 12. Inſtead of placing a plain impoſt under the arches of theſe arcades, which had been agreeable to the ſimplicity of the ruſtic pillaſters, and which is wiſely done in the middle ſtory; here are impoſts enriched with carvings, which thoſe of the Corinthian order cannot exceed; and which are prepoſterouſly continued over the heads of the windows, as before obſerved of the other. —— 13. Theſe arcades are alſo filled up with plain wall, and ſmall diſproportioned windows, as thoſe in the ſtory underneath. —— 14. As the Ionic order is generally made one diameter more in height than the Doric; and as the former is attempted in the upper, and the latter in the middle ſtory, the architect ſhould have proportioned the heights of the windows to each order; whereas, in all appearance, they are of equal heights in both the ſtories. —— 15. For the ſupport of the upper entablature, in the middle of the front, there are four columns placed on pedeſtals, which ſtand on the Doric cornice, having one quarter of their diameter inſerted within the front wall; and are what work men call three quarter columns. Now, ſince all columns are deſigned as props to ſuſtain ſome weight incumbent on them, why were not ſome placed in the firſt ſtory or baſement, having others erected upon them in the ſecond, for the ſupport of the third or upper ſtory; inſtead of placing them only in the upper ſtory, for the ſupport of an entablature and pediment only? This is as ſurpriſingly odd, as to imagine, that the entablatures on each ſide the pediment have not an equal right to be ſupported by columns, as that in the middle. — 16. A Venetian window placed between the two middle columns, whoſe ſide apertures are ſcarcely equal to one quarter of the middle aperture, inſtead of being each equal to one half part thereof; and the little Ionic columns, with their

ſmall entablature and diminutive modillions, being ſeen and conſidered at the ſame time with the greater columns, and upper entablature of the ſame order, and in the ſame ſtory alſo, make this a matchleſs piece of architecture. In ſhort, the whole is a compoſition abounding with abſurdities, without parallel, and almoſt without number.

LIV. In the adjacent houſe of Sir ROBERT WALPOLE, a great deal of ſimple grandeur, ſtrength, and magnificence is expreſſed; and had it been removed about thirty feet clear of the *Treaſury*, it would have been a very great addition to its beauty: but perhaps conveniency may be preferable to beauty, and therefore it it beſt as it is.

[*To be continued.*]

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
DP. *Daily Poſt.*
DJ. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
SJ. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
WE. *White-hall Evening Poſt*
LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Dec.* 19. Yeſterday ſe'nnight the dean and chapter of Carliſle elected the rev. Geo. Fleming, doctor of laws, to be biſhop of that ſee. ——— Will. Carlton, Eſq; is appointed one of the gentlemen penſioners to his majeſty. *P.*

Yeſterday the right hon. Sidney, earl of Godolphin, groom of the ſtole, appointed Mr. Humphrys to be page of the Back-ſtairs to the king; and Mr. Evans to be extraordinary in the room of Mr. Humphrys. *DJ.* ——— *The* DA. *Dec.* 18. *was pleaſed to* appoint Mr. Evans to be page *extraordinary* to the Back-ſtairs.

The eight bells in the pariſh church of S. Saviour's Southwark, are to be recaſt with the addition of four; [*from whence my brother makes this juſt inference*] ſo that twelve bells are to be hung up in their room. *DP.*

On tueſday, Mr. Perkins, vintner at the Horn-tavern in Doctor's Commons, was choſen common-council-man, in the room of Mr. Turbey. *DP.*

The ſame day, at Cambridge, Mr. Taylor, fellow of S. John's, who is publiſhing a new edition of *Lyſias*, was choſen regiſter of that univerſity. *P.*

On the 11th the Friends adventure, a ſloop of Dover, laden with Oranges, was loſt on the ſouth part of the iſle of Wight: all the men were ſaved. *DJ. DA.*

Died, on tueſday, in Wardour-ſtreet, Soho, ——— Stapler, Eſq; harneſs-maker to the king, ſay'd to have died worth 20,000 l. *DJ.*

Yeſterday morning, a boat was overſet over-againſt Somerſet-ſtairs, and a woman and a boy drowned. *P.*

We are aſſured, (*and our* ASSURANCE *is very good*)
That the ſame lawyer, who lately at th' Oratory diſputed,
Will on ſunday next *be again in a diſputing mood*,
And maintain a diſputation *which cannot be refuted.* DJ.

FRIDAY, *Dec.* 20. We are aſſured, that the rev. Dr. Mawſon is nominated to the ſee of Glouceſter, and the rev. Dr. Secker to the ſee of Briſtol. *P.* —— The rev. Dr. Secker will be made biſhop of Glouceſter. *DP.* —— 'Tis certain, that the rev. Dr. Mawſon will be made biſhop of Briſtol. *DP. Dec.* 21.

Geo. Coldham, Eſq; of Bow-ſtreet, Covent-garden, is appointed ſurgeon extraordinary to his royal highneſs the prince. *DA.*

Married, yeſterday the hon. Rob. Byng, Eſq; brother to the lord Viſc. Torrington, to the daughter of Jonathan Forward, Eſq; a Weſt-India merchant. *DA.* —— Mr. Jac. Pereyra to miſs Da Coſta, ſaid to be a fortune of 10,000 l. *DA.*

Died, on tueſday at Woodford in Eſſex, Mr. Wiſe, an eminent wine merchant, worth 14,000 l. *C.*

SATURDAY, *Dec.* 21. Mr. Jefferſon of St. James's-market is appointed butcher; and Mr. Joſeph Arnold of King-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, fiſhmonger, to his royal highneſs the prince; who, 'tis confidently reported will go to houſe-keeping next year. *LE.*

On tueſday the lords of the Treaſury, on the recommendation of his grace the duke of Richmond, appointed Peter Burk, Eſq; cuſtomer of the port of Chicheſter, in the room of John Miller, Eſq, deceas'd, a patent place worth 200 l. per ann. *LE.*

It is currently reported, that there will be a lottery for 80,000 l. at 4 l. per ticket, for raiſing a fund for the new colony of Georgia. *DJ.*

This day being St. Thomas's day, came on the election of Common Council-men for the ſeveral wards of this city, when to the honour of the city of London, be it remember'd, that the Country Intereſt carried their Elections, take the whole city through, by about three to one. *LE.*

On thurſday laſt in the afternoon ſix rogues, ſuppos'd to be deer-ſtealers, came to the houſe of Ambroſe Skinner, a wealthy farmer, near Sir Will. Humphrys's at Barking in Eſſex; there were only he and a girl in the houſe; they made him ſhew them where all his money, plate, wearing apparel, &c. were; and after they had rifled the houſe, they bound the man and girl and went off with their booty, to the value of 4 or 500 l. *LE.* — There were 8 or 10 of them, with black'd faces. Only the old gentleman and a maid-ſervant were at home when they came; but in half an hour one of the men-ſervants came home; and an hour and half after, the other man-ſervant: and laſt the young gentleman and his wife, who had been a viſiting. The rogues bound them all, broke open every lock in the houſe, ſtaying 4 hours, and carried away 2 ſacks full of things, upon 2 of the gentleman's horſes. *P. DA. Dec.* 23.

We hear from Suſſex, that a party of the king's own royal regiment of dragoons, had taken five ſmugglers and 12 horſes after an obſtinate reſiſtance, and carried the men to Horſham goal; the ſmugglers were at firſt about 40 in number, with ſwords and fire-arms, and attack'd the troops ſword in hand, and had taken ſeveral of the Pemſey officers and 4 dragoons priſoners, before a ſerjeant advanc'd at the head of another party of dragoons, when they made reprizals on the ſmugglers; their goods were not landed, ſo that the officers got no booty. *LE.*

John Taylor, a Pedlar, had taken a lodging for his wife at Mitcham; and having information that in his abſence ſhe was a little too familiar with one Robinſon, a phyſick gardener in that town, he came home on friday night the 7th inſtant unexpected, and found Robinſon with his wife; upon which ſome words ariſing, Taylor left them together, and going to his landlady, told her, he intended to go to London early the next morning to receive ſome money, with which he would diſcharge his lodgings and leave the country: this his wife and Robinſon overheard, being in the next room. Accordingly on the ſaturday morning about 6, he ſet out for London, but was met near Tooting by his wife, dreſs'd in man's apparel, and Robinſon, who knock'd him down, and took from him 6 ſhillings in money, and two ſilk handkerchiefs; upon which the pedlar ſaying he knew them, the wife inſiſted his tongue ſhould be cut out, telling the gardener he could not write, and therefore they need not fear being diſcover'd: they then cut a piece of his tongue off with a penknife, but not being able to get all of it out, the wife took the knife and ſtabb'd him three or four times in the mouth, endeavouring, as it is ſuppos'd, to dig the tongue out by the root; the poor man has as yet loſt the uſe of it, and lies in a dangerous condition. The wife made her eſcape, but Robinſon being taken up on ſuſpicion, was carried before juſtice Mann of Tooting, where ſeveral of the neighbours paſs'd before the pedlar, without his taking any notice of them; but when the gardener came, he by his motions fix'd upon him, and the juſtice thereupon committed him to the new goal. 'Tis ſaid he will be try'd on the Coventry act for maiming, as well as for the robbery. *DP.*

Died, on wedneſday, Sir Rob. Kempt, member of parliament for the county of Suffolk, near Woodbridge, in that county. *C.* —— Kemp, on thurſday, at his ſeat near Saxmundam. *DJ.* —— At Ubbeſton near Yoxford; he is ſucceeded by his eldeſt ſon, now Sir Robert. *LE.* ——— The ſame day, in Golden-ſquare, John Merril, Eſq; member in the two laſt parliaments for St. Albans. *DP.* — On thurſday. *C. DA.*

From Dublin we are inform'd, that Thamas Kouli-Kan, The Perſian general, is not a Burgundian, But Iriſh by birth, and his name Thomas Culligan. *P.*

MONDAY. *Dec.* 23. On ſaturday a meſſenger arrived at St. James's, who brought an account, that the prince and princeſs of Orange arrived at the Hague laſt tueſday in good health. *P.* — Laſt wedneſday. *C. DP. DJ. DA.*

Yeſterday the rev. Dr. George preached before their majeſties, &c. *C. P. DA.*

The right hon. the earl of Eſſex, his majeſty's ambaſſador at the court of Turin, is hourly expected to arrive in England. *P.* —— Yeſterday an expreſs arrived from him at Turin. *C. Dec.* 25.

Mr. Gabriel Tompkins is appointed a riding officer for the coaſt of Kent, in the room of Mr. Wootton of Dartford, who hath reſigned. *C.* —— In the room of Mr. Hen. Wooden. *DA.*

On ſaturday night, about 6, ſome rogues forced into the houſe of Mr. Maſon, one of the keepers of Epping-foreſt, wounded him in a dangerous manner, deſtroy'd a great deal of his furniture, and carried off to the value of 300 l. *DP.* —— There were 15 well arm'd, ſuppoſed to be of the gang who robb'd Mr. Skinner. They loaded two horſes with goods, and broke thoſe to pieces they could not carry off, ſuch as tables, cheſts of drawers, &c. they went by Stratford turn-pike toward London. On ſunday night 14 of the ſame gang were ſeen to go down Three-coney-lane near the foreſt. *DP. Dec.* 24 ——— *Theſe gentlemen ſeem rather* plunderers *than* robbers.

Married, on ſaturday, at St. John's chapel, Queens-ſquare, Tho. Anderſon, Eſq; of great Ruſſel-ſtreet, Bloomsbury, to miſs Martha Douglaſs of great Ormond-ſtreet, with whom he had 10,000 l. fortune. *P.*

Yeſterday was perform'd, on Paddington church ſteeple, The ceremony of throwing bread and cheeſe among the people. *P.*

TUESDAY, *Dec.* 24. Yeſterday his majeſty's congé d'elire was ſent to the dean and chapter of Briſtol, for electing the rev. Dr. Secker to that biſhoprick. *C.*

The ſame day the report was made of the ten malefactors under condemnation, when his majeſty was pleaſed to order the five following for execution on monday next, viz. John Butler for breaking open a houſe; Aaron Pritchard for breaking open the till of Mr. Herbert in Ludgate-ſtreet; Ambroſe Thurman for ſtealing a ſilver tankard; James Caſey for robbing John Atkinſon on the highway; and Will. Williams for the murder of corporal Row. Mary Brown [Bowman *P. DP. DJ.*] is pardoned; and the other four are to be tranſported. Williams is to be executed over-againſt Somerſet-houſe, and afterwards to be hung in chains. *C.* &c.

On ſaturday night a certain co-heireſs of 30,000 l. fortune, went from her habitation near Soho, with a certain nobleman's valet-de-chamber: the coachman who drove them, has been diſcovered, and affirmed that he ſet them down at the Fleet; ſo that it is ſhrewdly ſuſpected they were married that night. *P.* —— *Theſe two* certains *ſeem very* uncertain.

Yeſterday two waggon loads of tea, containing 5000 lb. weight, beſides velvets and ſilks, were brought to the Exciſe-office in the Old Jewry, under a guard of the lord Mark Kerr's, and general Evans's dragoons. It was ſeiz'd in a barn near Aſhford in Kent, by Mr. Brookes, a riding officer, aſſiſted by the king's troops: there were above 50 ſmugglers in the gang, who exchanged three fires with the ſoldiers, in which 'tis ſaid two of the former were kill'd, and one wounded in the knee, and diſabled. When they found themſelves over-power'd, they endeavour'd to ſet fire to the ſtraw, and burn the barn; but that not ſucceeding, they fled and left their booty behind them. Since this ſeizure Mr. Brookes is oblig'd to have a guard of ſoldiers with him wherever he goes, to protect him, the ſmugglers having threaten'd his life. *DP.*

Married, on ſaturday Peer Williams Eſq; 2d ſon of Will. Peer Williams Eſq; to miſs Seinoret of Greenwich, a fortune of 14,000 l. *P.* ——— Yeſterday, at Cavendiſh-ſquare chapel, John Falmouth of Putney Eſq; to miſs Bignal of Row-hampton, a beautiful young lady with a fortune of 5000 l. *C.*

The ſame day, a young gentleman ſhot himſelf at his lodgings in Conduit-ſtreet. *C.* —— Tho. B - - - h Eſq; a gentleman of a plentiful eſtate. *P.* —— Blackborn. *P. Dec.* 25.

WEDNESDAY, *Dec.* 25. We hear that Arthur *Stert* Eſq; one of the commiſſioners in *Spain* for &c. is appointed one of the commiſſioners for trade and plantations. *C.* ——Sir William Aſhburnham Bar. is appointed receiver of the Alienation-office. *DA.*

Yeſterday the dead-warrant was carried to Newgate: four malefactors are to be executed on monday at Tyburn and Williams on tueſday over-againſt Somerſet Houſe. *DP.*

Died on monday ſe'nnight, at Briſtol, Sir Brian Cooke of Wheatley in Yorkſhire, Bar. *C.*

The arch-biſhop of Canterbury lies dangerouſly ill. *DJ.* *In* News-papers *every month, and yet is alive ſtill.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

The XXth ODE of ANACREON.

To his miſtreſs.

On Phrygian hills, by ceaſeleſs moan
Transform'd, ſtood NIOBE a ſtone:
PANDION's daughter, once ſo bright,
Wing'd like a ſwallow took her flight.
Chang'd to a mirrour let me be,
That thou may'ſt always look on me:
Or to a garment, every where
Which thou may'ſt cloſe about thee bear.
Diſſolv'd to water, let me ſlide
Round thy ſoft limbs on ev'ry ſide:
Or, turn'd to precious ointment, flow
In liquid fragrance o'er thy brow.
In form of riband, let me deck
Thy breaſts; or of large pearl, thy neck:
At leaſt thy ſandal let me be,
Proud to be trod upon by thee.

D. D.

Dublin, Dec. 14. A few days ſince a lady bought a piece of linnen for ſhifts at our linnen-hall for 3 s. 3 d. per yard; but not thinking it fine enough for ſleeves, gave 7 s. an ell for Dutch holland, and upon comparing the linnens together, it appear'd, that the Iriſh was much thicker, finer, and whiter than the Dutch. *DA. Dec.* 21.

Extract of a letter from Port Antonio in Jamaica, dated Sept. 28, 1734.

We are all well, but live in a little fear of the rebellious negroes, who ſome days ſince took a large plantation call'd Broadgates; it was fortify'd with 10 pieces of cannon and about 30 ſmall arms, with about 100 negroes; the rebels burnt all the works to the ground, and kill'd and took ſeveral of the negroes, and ſwore they would come next to Port Antonio, and I can't ſee any thing to hinder them but the hulk, which God knows is but a ſmall defence, having but ſix foremaſt men allow'd here, and ſeven guns mounted; for the commodore keeps all the ſhips at Port Royal. *DP. Dec.* 21.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Dec.* 19. The French mails yeſterday brought no manner of news, only ſtript count Traun, lately governor of Capua, of his trophies. He had been repreſented for a month or two paſt, by ſome of our Dutch correſpondents, as a dextrous man at ſtratagem; whereas the A-la-main tells us, the Spaniards that blockaded the place did not loſe a man, nor did the governor make a ſally, all the while they lay before it. *P.*——Above 1500 of the garriſon of Capua deſerted; among them all the grenadiers with their arms; who have entered into the Spaniſh ſervice. *DJ. DA.*

MONDAY, *Dec.* 23. Advice is arriv'd in town, that count Konigſegg having divided his army into two bodies, march'd with one over the Oglio, and ſent the other croſs the Po under the command of general Wallis, that a large corps of the latter having advanc'd to Guaſtalla, and ſummon'd the governor, who was a Frenchman, to ſurrender, monſieur gave them ſo unpolite an anſwer, that they began to open trenches and prepare for beſieging it; but before they had made any progreſs in their works, marſhal Broglio arriv'd with 20,000 men from the allied army, and after a ſhort reſiſtance, oblig'd the Germans to retire with loſs. 'Tis added, that the whole body of the Imperial army was again retreated beyond the Po and the Oglio; and that there was as great rejoicings making on this occaſion in Paris, as if the allies had gain'd a deciſive battle. *DA.*

TUESDAY, *Dec.* 24. They write from the Hague, that the two following articles had been communicated to the Imperial and French ambaſſadors. 1. Whether the Emperor and France would be content that Don Carlos remain king of Naples and Sicily, on condition the houſe of Auſtria ſhould have Parma and Placentia, with part of Milan, and the ſucceſſion to Tuſcany. 2. Whether king Staniſlaus, preſerving his regal titles, will be ſatisfied to be made duke of Lorrain, and that dutchy erected into an electorate? The duke of Lorrain to marry the eldeſt archdutcheſs, to be declared king of the Romans, to have Parma and Placentia immediately, and Tuſcany after the death of the great duke? Or in' caſe this 2d article is rejected, Whether Poland ſhall not be divided between Staniſlaus and Auguſtus, the longeſt liver to take the whole? *DA.*

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